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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

202 North Liberty Street, Centreville, stands on a large lot adjacent its northern boundary, with large side and back yards. The house is composed of two structures, the 3 bay by 3 bay, 2 1/2 story brick block built in the first decade of the 19th century and the odd shaped two story wing on its north corner, constructed around the middle of the 19th century.

The main part of this Federal townhouse is laid in Flemish bond on its street facade and common bond elsewhere. The windows on its first story are Victorian 2/4 sash extending to the floor south of the entrance. The entrance has double paneled doors, paneled jambs er, merk time bring lenter to a liberth diministration of a and semi-circular fanlight with radiating muntins. of the expense of the party of the contract ... 過の 憩い At the top of the trim is a keystone. On the second story the three windows have 9/9 sash. All windows of the first and second stories have louvered blinds. On the third story are two dormers with 6/6 sash and 'A' roofs. Across the first story is a deep lean-to porch supported on brick piers and having square posts and a plain balustrade. It extends slightly over the south gable.

The south gable has two very tall chimneys

CONTINUATION SHEET

7.1 DESCRIPTION

partly protruding from the face of the brickwork. They extend in a straight line to the top. On the first story are three windows; on the second are two on the outer edges and on the third are two small 6/6 sash windows between the chimneys.

A two story porch extends the length of the west facade. It has a wide overhang which keeps the rains at a distance. The facade is almost the same as the front except there is a door in the southern bay of the second story. The north gable has a basement entrance, almost centered, at ground level with a hood. On the first floor is one window to the east; on the second are two windows and on the third are three smaller ones. The mid-19th century wing is two stories in height on two levels. There is one window on both stories facing the street and two on the sides. There is a lean-to porch æross its west gable with an entry into the kitchen.

The interior plan consists of a side stair passage with two nearly equal size rooms on the south. It differs from most side passage houses, in that the stair ascends from both ends of the passage to a landing in the center, thence in a single run to the second story. Beneath the second flight is a wide arch connecting both ends of the passage. The open string stair with delicate balustrade, scrolled step ends and paneled

CONTINUATION SHEET

7.2 DESCRIPTION

spandrel are all original, as are the window jamb panels, chair rail and door trim.

The front parlor has original chair rail with fretwork but the mantel is a replacement. In the back room, now the dining room, there is a cabinet on the east side of the fireplace with glazing replacing panels. The mantel is also a replacement. Both rooms retain original window trim and paneled jambs.

Of great interest on the second story is the fact that there were originally four chambers, two with fire-places and two without, the latter two, over the front and back of the stair hall. The same plan exists on the third story.

The wing contains a pantry and kitchen. An enclosed stair led to a servants' room above. It was isolated originally from a small room facing the street, over the pantry.

There is a basement under the older part of the house, divided like the second and third stories. There was originally access from under one of the stairs, but it is now gone. The room under the front parlor has a huge arched brick fireplace and was the original kitchen. The other rooms lack fireplaces. Some of the floor is paved in brick.

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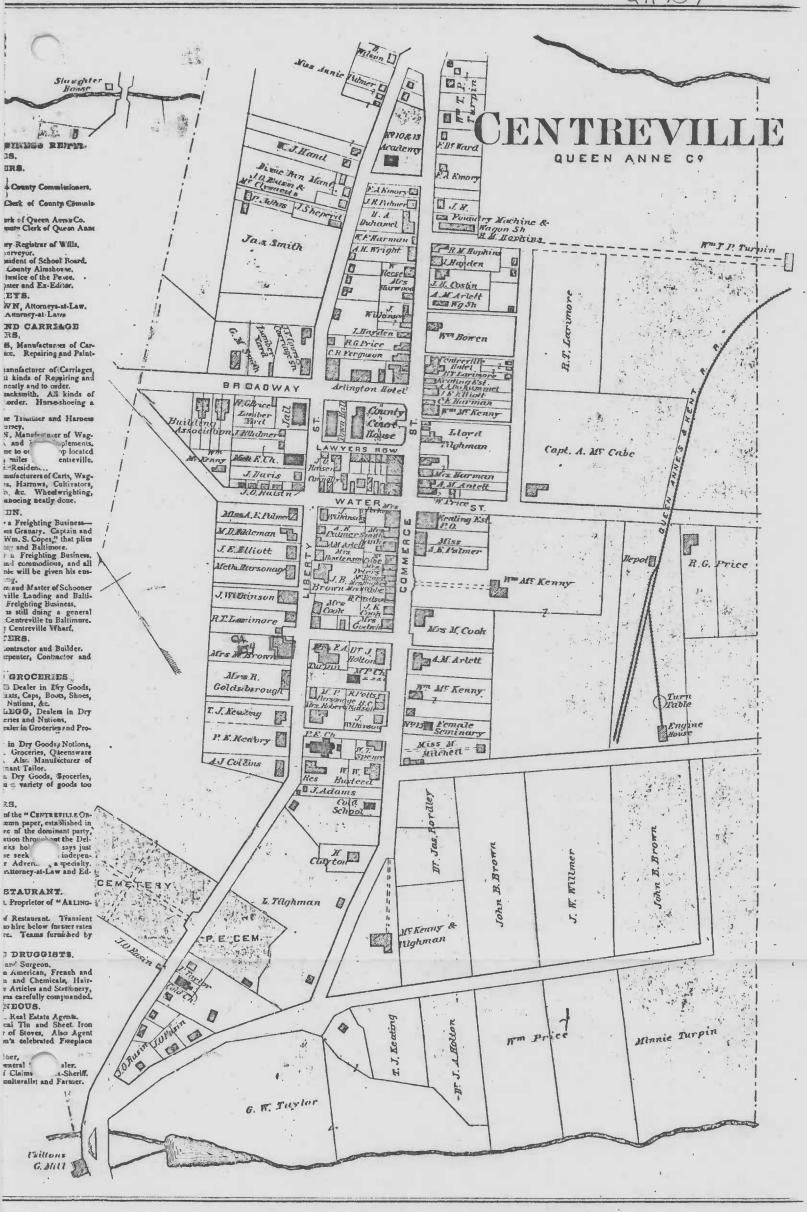
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